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| FORM PTO-1390 REV. 5-93 | | US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE | ATTORNEYS DOCKET NUMBER P05,0159 |
| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/DE2004/000985 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 12 May 2004 | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 15 May 2003 | |
| TITLE OF INVENTION "COUPLING ELEMENT AND DOCKING DEVICE COMPRISING A COUPLING ELEMENT" | | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Peter LAIS, Joseph SYWALLA, Joachim STOYE, and Martin KOCH | | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay. 4. <input type="checkbox"/> A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date. 5. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US) 6. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). | | | |
| Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included: | | | |
| 11. <input type="checkbox"/> A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98; (PTO 1449, Prior Art, Search Report). | | | |
| 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included. | | | |
| 13. <input type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. | | | |
| 14. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. | | | |
| 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. | | | |
| 16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Request For Refund b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Second Preliminary Amendment c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPRESS MAIL #EV 635786235 US Mailed May 23, 2005. | | | |

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| 17. <input type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted: BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(1)-(5): Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO \$1000.00 (Includes National Stage, Search, and Examination Fees) <div style="text-align: right;">ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</div> | | | | CALCULATIONS | | PTO USE ONLY | |
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| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. 1.492(e)). | | | | \$ | | | |
| Claims | Number Filed | Number Extra | Rate | | | | |
| Total Claims | | 0 | X \$50.00 | \$ | | | |
| Independent Claims | | 0 | X \$200.00 | \$ | | | |
| Multiple Dependent Claims | | | \$300.00 + | | | | |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | | | \$ | | | |
| Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity statement must also be filed. (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28) | | | | | | | |
| SUBTOTAL = | | | | \$ | | | |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). | | | | + | | | |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = | | | | \$ | | | |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 C.F.R. 1.21(h). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property | | | | + | | | |
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a. ☒ A check in the amount of \$_____ over the above fees is enclosed.

b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **501519**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 C.F.R. 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 C.F.R. 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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